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#### COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

### STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JUNE 8, 2001

APPLICATION OF

DOMINION RETAIL, INC.

CASE NO. PUE000352

For licenses to conduct business in electric and natural gas retail access pilot programs and to act as an aggregator

# ORDER FOR NOTICE AND COMMENT

On July 5, 2000, CNG Retail Services Corporation d/b/a

Dominion Retail ("CNGR" or "Applicant") filed an application for

licensure to conduct business as an electric competitive service

provider in an electric retail access pilot program. By Order

dated August 23, 2000, CNGR was issued License No. PE-2 to

provide competitive electric supply service to residential and

small commercial customers in Virginia Electric and Power

Company's ("Virginia Power") retail access pilot program.

On October 11, 2000, CNGR made a filing with the Commission advising that it had changed its corporate name to Dominion Retail, Inc., ("Dominion Retail") and requested that its license be amended to reflect the new corporate name. On October 24, 2000, the Commission canceled License No. PE-2 and reissued it as License No. PE-2A in the name of Dominion Retail, Inc.

On May 25, 2001, Dominion Retail filed an amendment to its July 5, 2000 application for licensure to conduct business as an electric and natural gas competitive service provider and to act as an aggregator ("Application"). The Applicant intends to serve residential, commercial, and industrial customers participating in the electric retail access pilot programs of Virginia Power, American Electric Power-Virginia ("AEP-VA"), and Rappahannock Electric Cooperative ("REC"), and in the natural gas retail access pilot programs of Columbia Gas of Virginia, Inc., ("CGV"), and Washington Gas Light Company ("WGL").

According to the Application, Dominion Retail has served a copy of its Application on these utilities as required by 20 VAC 5-311-50 C.

NOW UPON CONSIDERATION of the Application, the Commission finds that Dominion Retail's Application should be docketed; that the Applicant should give notice of its Application to the public; and that the Commission Staff should investigate the Application and present its findings in a report.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) A copy of the Application and supporting documents shall be available for inspection in the Commission's Document Control Center located on the first floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia, between the hours of

- 8:15 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on the Commission's regular business days, Monday through Friday.
- (2) Any interested person may request a copy of the Application, accompanying materials, and this Order by directing a request in writing to counsel for Applicant, David W. Clarke, Esquire, McCandlish Kaine, 1111 East Main Street, Suite 1500, P. O. Box 796, Richmond, Virginia 23218-0796. The Applicant shall, within three (3) days of receipt of the request, serve the requested documents upon the person making such request.
- (3) On or before June 18, 2001, the Applicant shall publish the following notice one (1) time as classified advertising in newspapers of general circulation within the geographical areas approved by the Commission for each pilot program in which the Applicant seeks to participate:

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF AN AMENDED
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GAS COMPETITIVE SERVICE PROVIDER AND
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Any person desiring to comment in writing on Dominion Retail's application may do so by directing an original and five (5) copies of such comments on or before June

29, 2001, to Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118. Comments must refer to Case No. PUE000352. A copy of such comments simultaneously shall be sent to the Applicant, c/o David W. Clarke, Esquire, McCandlish Kaine, 1111 East Main Street, Suite 1500, P. O. Box 796, Richmond, Virginia 23218.

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- (4) An original and five (5) copies of any comments on the Application may be filed by June 29, 2001, with the Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118. Comments must refer to Case No. PUE000352. A copy of such comments also must simultaneously be served by first-class mail, or hand-delivered, to counsel for Applicant, David W. Clarke, Esquire, McCandlish Kaine, 1111 East Main Street, Suite 1500, P. O. Box 796, Richmond, Virginia 23218-0796.
- (5) The Commission Staff shall investigate the Application and shall present its findings in a Staff report to be filed on or before July 3, 2001.
- (6) On or before July 6, 2001 the Applicant shall file with the Clerk of the Commission an original and fifteen (15) copies of any response it may have to the Staff report and any comments that have been filed, and shall, on or before July 6, 2001, serve a copy of its response on counsel for the Commission

Staff and any person(s) submitting comments by overnight delivery.

- (7) Due to the time-sensitive nature of this proceeding, the Applicant shall respond to written interrogatories or data requests within three (3) business days after the receipt of the same. Interrogatories and data requests, as well as the responses thereto, shall be transmitted via facsimile as well as by first-class mail. Except as modified herein, discovery shall be in accordance with Part IV of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 5 VAC 5-20-240 to -280.
- (8) On or before June 29, 2001, the Applicant shall file with the Clerk of the Commission proof of the notice required in Ordering Paragraph (4).
  - (9) This matter is continued generally.